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BOOK REVIEWS.

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The Encyclopedic Digest of Virginia and West Virginia Reports. Cumulative Supplement.—Being a complete Encyclopeda and Digest of all the Virginia and West Virginia Case Law from Volume 104 to Volume 129 Virginia Reports, both Inclusive, and from Volume 56 to Volume 87 West Virginia Reports, both Inclusive. Under the Editorial Supervision of Thomas Johnson Michie, Assisted by Beirne Stedman. Volumes I and II. The Michie Company, Law Publishers, Charlottesville, Va. 1922. Six Volumes. \$10.00 per volume.

The rapid growth of cases in Virginia and West Virginia has rendered this cumulative supplement almost a necessity to the members of the profession in Virginia and West Virginia, and of the greatest assistance to those in the other states who desire to consult the Virginia law on any given subject. We do not suppose there is any series of books in any lawyer's office in Virginia more freely consulted than what is generally known by the short title of "Michie's Digest," and this series of volumes, bringing the cases down to 129th Virginia and 87th West Virginia, is simply indispensable. All that we have formerly said in commendation of the original series can well be said about this cumulative digest which has added to it, as might be expected, improvements on the old series. It brings the law as decided by the two Supreme Courts named, to date, and the learned editors, with the years of experience at their command, have made the work of the searcher much easier than ever before. We do not see how any Virginia or West Virginia lawyer can be without it and we are anxious to see the series completed. We have already had occasion more than once to use the first two volumes, and found them in every way invaluable.

A Treatise on the Law of Inheritance Taxation—With Statutes and Forms.—Third Edition, Revised and Enlarged. By Lafayette B. Gleason, Attorney for State Tax Commission for New York City, and Alexander Otis, of the New York City Bar (Specialist in Inheritance Taxation). Albany and New York City. Matthew Bender & Company, Incorporated. 1922. Price \$15.00.

When a book reaches the third edition it seems almost a work of supererogation to review it, and to compare the present volume with the first edition is to see how the law upon this subject has grown with leaps and bounds. The prior editions have been cited in a good many of the states, and in Posey, etc., vs. Commonwealth, 123 Va. 551, we find the work cited with approval. In the five years that have